

Report of the Medical Officer of Health
of the Westbury & Whorledown Rural Sanitary
Authority
for the year ending Dec^r-31^o 1894.

Area of District 30.843 acres

Population in 1891. 10.166.

Gentlemen

I beg to present to you my report on the
health and sanitary condition of the several
districts in the Westbury Union.

The Births registered during the year are

Westbury	66 males	89 females	Total	155
North Bradley	28 males	43 females	Total	81
				<u>236</u>

The Deaths registered during the year are

Westbury	65 males	55 females	Total	120
Bradley	32 males	23 females	Total	57
				<u>177.</u>

The Birth rate per 1000. is 23.1

The Death rate per 1000 is 17.2.

There have been only four cases of Infectious Diseases
causing death viz. Two Cases of Measles and
two cases of Infantile Diarrhoea. All four cases
occurred in Infants under one year of age.

Twenty three cases of Measles have been reported
to me mostly from the villages of Bratton and
Ecdington

Scarlatina has greatly diminished from the three
preceding years. Seven cases only have been
reported to me.

Diphtheria Three cases of a mild form came under my notice. I visited the houses immediately on the report being sent to me. Two occurred at Coulston and the other at Chapmanculade.

At Coulston the examination of the water proved to be good, and the houses clean and well drained.

At Chapmanculade also the surroundings were satisfactory. I suspect the case contracted it ~~at~~ from

Erysipelas Two cases of facial Erysipelas were reported to me all of a mild form.

I have made several visits to all the districts under the Sanitary Authority. The improvement of enclosing the drain opposite the "Rant" at North Bradley is great.

I have visited the several schools in the parishes. Some of the privies were in a most unsatisfactory condition but they have been rectified. I think it ought to be made compulsory to cleanse all cesspools attached to public schools during each vacation, and where there is no system of drainage the cesspools should not be too large as they remain unemptied for several years.

I have visited several houses with the Sanitary Inspector at Westbury which were not fit for human habitation. They are now tenanted also some houses inhabited which were in a filthy condition. There have been cleansed

The water supply for the town of Westbury and the drainage improvements are embodied in the Sanitary Inspector's report. A

Copy of which is enclosed with
this report-

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your obed^t servant

Walter H Reed

